

Remarks

Responsive to the action mailed May 6, 2005, applicant elects the invention of Group II drawn to keypad structure, and Species IV (claims 21-29). The election is made without traverse.

During a telephone call on August 2, 2005, Examiner Singh explained that with the election of Species IV (claims 21-29), all of claims 21-29, 34-39 and 55-84 (i.e., all of the Group II claims other than those corresponding to Species V) would be initially searched. Thus, Applicant submits that claims 21-29, 34-39 and 55-84 correspond to the elected Species.

Claims 86-90 have been canceled.

Claims 55-84 have been amended to remove references to "IACK" in the preambles, and to refer to "elevated" and "non-elevated" key regions instead of "independent" and "combination" key regions, respectively. This amendment is made to remove any possible inference that such claims are limited to a particular input interpretation algorithm, but rather to characterize certain key regions as being physically elevated with respect to other (non-elevated) adjacent key regions.

Applicant asks that all elected claims be examined in view of the above amendment to the claims.

No excess claim fees are believed to be due. Enclosed is a \$225 check to cover the two-month extension of time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing the above attorney-docket number.

Respectfully submitted,

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